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Report of the Fifth Committee

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1. At its 40th meeting, on 6 April 2009, the Fifth Committee, pursuant to rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, considered the statement submitted by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/63/22) on the programme budget implications of draft resolution A/63/L.66. Also at the 40th meeting, the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions reported orally on the question (see A/C.5/63/SR.40).

2. The statements and comments made in the course of the Fifth Committee's consideration of the question are reflected in the relevant summary record (A/C.5/63/SR.40).

3. Also at the 40th meeting, the Secretary of the Committee read out a draft decision submitted by the representative of Sweden and Vice-Chairman of the Committee following informal consultations.

4. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft decision (see para. 5).

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Decision of the Fifth Committee

5. The Fifth Committee, having considered the statement of programme budget implications submitted by the Secretary-General[1] and the oral report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2] decides to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolution A/63/L.66, additional resources in the amount of $867,700 would be required under the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009, comprising $481,600 under section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management, $136,200 under section 27, Public information, $38,600 under section 28D, Office of Central Support Services, and $211,300 under section 33, Safety and security. This would represent a charge against the contingency fund, and as such would require an additional appropriation for the biennium 2008-2009, which would be considered by the General Assembly in accordance with the procedures for the use and operation of the contingency fund set out in its resolutions 41/213 and 42/211.

[1] A/C.5/63/22.

[2] See A/C.5/63/SR.40.